



## Fred Steffen

Fred Steffen, 86, Andover, died Friday, June 21, 2002, at the Aberdeen Living Center. His funeral will be held Monday, June 24, 11 a.m., at the United Methodist Church, Andover, with the Rev. Richard Collman officiating. Burial will follow in the Andover City Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

Fred William Steffen was born on April 17, 1916, to John and Minnie (Smeins) Steffen at Andover. He attended Andover School. He started farming at the age of 10, growing grain and raising cattle, hogs, sheep and chickens. He retired at the age of 80.

Fred was a member of the United Methodist Church since 1925. He also belonged to the Corinthian Lodge #82 at Andover. He became Master Mason on February 19, 1947 and elected Worshipful Master in 1949 and again in 1978. In 1957 he was elected treasurer and held that position for nearly 23 years. Fred was a member of the Yelduz Shrine since 1950, holding various positions over the years. He was also a dedicated member of the Foot Patrol which he joined in 1951.

Fred helped to start the Andover Waldorf Hotel Restoration project. He hunted and fished all of his life. He especially enjoyed several fishing trips to Canada.

Survivors include his six nephews, A.E. "Bud" (Darlene) Dennert, Westport; Harold Steffen, Long Beach, Calif.; Stanley Steffen, Lead; Alfred (Judy) Steffen, Minneapolis; Larry (Deloris) Steffen, Pacific, Mo.; Earl (Kathy) Dennert, Aberdeen; and three nieces, Audrey Robertson, Omaha; Shirley (Terry) Bender, Westport; and Vern (Don) Shiveley, Indiana.

Preceding him in death were his parents, one brother, four sisters and four nieces and nephews.

Casketbearers will be Alfred Steffen, Earl Dennert, Bud Dennert, Stanley Steffen, Larry Steffen and Don Shiveley.

The family prefers memorials to the American Cancer Society, 310 NW 8th Ave., Suite 407, Aberdeen SD 57401.